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# **United Arab Emirates**

# Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards

"Export Certificates" Report - Update

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#### **Report Highlights:**

The United Arab Emirates requires that each food shipment be accompanied by a health certificate, country of origin certificate and Halal slaughter certificate, which is required for meat and poultry products only. The original invoice, packing list and bill of lading must be submitted to the Customs Authority along with the above referenced certificates for products clearance.

Includes PSD Changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Annual Report Dubai [TC1] **Notice:** The information contained in this report represents the Agricultural Trade Office's (ATO) current understanding of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) import requirements. These requirements may be subject to change without notice or there may be requirements of which the ATO is unaware. Exporters should work closely with their importers in determining documentation requirements or contact the ATO at <a href="mailto:atodubai@usda.gov">atodubai@usda.gov</a> for additional guidance if documentation questions arise.

SECTION I: REQUIRED EXPORT CERTIFICATES

Products	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Dry pea, lentil, Rice, seeds, fresh fruits & vegetables, etc.	Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Phytosanitary Certificate	This is to certify that the plant(s) Product(s) described herein have been inspected and/or tested according to appropriate official procedures, are considered to be free from quarantine pests, and conform with Phytosanitary regulations of the importing contracting party including those for regulated non-quarantine pest.	Pest and insect free confirmation	Health Department, Ministry of Environment & Water
All products	Country of Origin Certificate	The goods are of "xxx" origin	Country of origin confirmation	Customs Authority
All products	Health Certificate	The goods have been prepared and shipped under sanitary conditions and are fit for human consumption.	Health Certificate	Health Department
Meat & Poultry Products	Food Safety Inspection Service (FSIS) Export Health Certificate	Animals were slaughtered and processed in accordance to U.S. health regulations	Product produce under hygienic conditions	Health Department
Meat & Poultry Products	Halal Slaughter Certificate	Animals were slaughtered in According to Islamic/Sharia laws & requirements	Product produce in accordance with Sharia Law confirmation	Health Department

## SECTION II: PURPOSE OF SPECIFIC EXPORT CERTIFICATE

See Section I above.

#### SECTION III: SPECIFIC ATTESTATION REQUIRED ON THE EXPORT CERTIFICATE

- Halal slaughter certificate needs to be notarized by the UAE Embassy or Consulate (or any other Arab Embassy or Consulate in the absence of the UAE Embassy) in the United States. Non-notarized certificates may be sent back for notarization within 15 days.
- See Appendix for certificate samples.

#### SECTION IV: GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATE LEGAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Original certificates must accompany shipment at the time of entry. Sometimes importers are allowed to have the documents sent to their banks.
- Certificates are used for only the accompanying shipment since it carries the details of the shipment.
- U.S. "State" issued export certificates are acceptable.
- Modification to any certificate is not permitted once issued and shipped accompanying the product.

#### SECTION V: OTHER CERTIFICATION/ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS

 Original invoice, bill of lading and packing list are required to accompany the abovereferenced certificates to meet documentation requirements of the Customs Authority for the release of the shipment.

## Appendix A.

The following are "samples" of certificates outlined in Section I and accepted by UAE officials. The standardized export health certificates issued by FSIS and APHIS are not repeated here.

Note: At present the UAE does not require a specific format for any certificate except for the Halal slaughter certificate.

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